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HOUSE BILL 775  
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AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 54, Chapter 1.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 54, Chapter 1, Part 1, is amended by deleting Section 54-1-115 in its entirety.

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 54, Chapter 1, is amended by adding Sections 3 through 5 of this act as a new part thereto.

SECTION 3. This act shall be known and may be cited as the "Transportation Reporting Act of 2001".

SECTION 4.

(a) Beginning June 30, 2001, and every six (6) months thereafter, the department of transportation shall generate a report to be submitted to the general assembly and the state building commission the status of all highway and road projects as approved by the general assembly as part of the department's budget. The status report shall include a current list of projects being planned, projects under construction, and anticipated starting dates for projects not yet underway.

(b) With respect to each project referenced in subsection (a), the report shall:

(1) State the amount of the funds requested to date and the total estimated cost of the project; and

(2) Identify significant changes in the cost, scope, design, or scheduling of major capital projects for each completed fiscal year; and

(3) If there is a significant change in cost, the report shall state the amount by which the authorized expenditures exceed the original project estimate.

(c) The commissioner shall publish a copy of this report in a newspaper of general circulation in each county of the state. The two (2) most current reports shall be posted and maintained on the department of transportation's internet web page.

SECTION 5. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.